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Gainesville Fla Jan 9 1878

Wm Brewster, Cambridge, Mass

Dear Sir, Your Card to hand some days since, I mail this A.M.

1 # 10	1.00	1 #123	65¢
1 # 327	.35	2 #328 @ 30	60
4 # 330	.80		1.25
	2.15		2.15

I will mail tomorrow with this letter 1 #32 1.50

4.90

Please send P.O. order, if they suit. I can send Metallic Swainsoni for 2.00 and Buteo Calurus for 1.50 I think Soon. So much rain & snow that I have got to collect but one day in two weeks. Would give 4 eggs of #282 and 5 of #414a for Vol II of Bulletin N.O. Club. I have a fine ♀ #10 & ♂ #17 do you want them? also Scops McCallii (gray) for 1.25

eggs of #416 @ 30¢ #450 30¢ #518 @ 40¢ 500a 50¢

Hoping that you will receive this lot in good order, be pleased with same, and give me another order, I am

Rest

G.H. Ragsdale

Ragsdale G. H.
Jan 8-1878

Gainesville Tex Jan 23d 78

Wm Brewster.

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of 16th with 5.00 to hand today and I have mailed # 10 1.00

I put in #340 { 1 #327 P. pictus .35

thinking at that { 1 Scops .75

price would { 1 #340 C. leconteri 1.00

reconcile the #32 (?) I sent you, 3.10

If you do not want it at that price you can return it at my Expense. I was Sorry of this mistake. I took a bird last Winter & upon examination mkd it #32 and did not examine the bird sent you, The former bird I sold E.L. Hudnut, You can write him, — I Do not want the Bulletin at 2.00 thought it was 1.00. I gave that for vol. 1.

You do not Know how much encouragement your letter gives me in reference to my Skins. I have had to learn every thing by myself, and but little encouragement from the parties I sold to.

Do you want Calamospiza bicolor winter plumage at 40¢?

I have never seen a large skin of any other persons make. Will you please explain the "wiring"? I appreciate your kind advice and am sure I will profit by it.

Now in regard to giving you a chance at "my" seasons haul," I see but one objection and that is, in my limited circumstances, I have to drive out what I get, as fast as I get it almost, & you will perceive the difficulty. If you would check off what Skins you are likely to want, and the probable quantity of each Species, I would then be better prepared to answer your letter on this point.

I have not the B. Calurus & B Insignatus yet. Mr Ridgway thinks my cooperi likely Swainsoni or Harlani ~~one of these two.~~ Will you not give me your Post Office, So I can't keep you posted as to what I may get while you are gone? Will send you 1 doz prime Skins of #327 P. pictus for #3.50. Will send two colors of ad ♂ #328 P. ornatus @ 60¢ (Black & red on the belly) Would you want Some #340 Cot. lecontei at 1.00 in Feb or March?

Very truly

G H Ragsdale

Ragsdale - G. H.
Jan. 23, 1878

Ragsdale G. H.
Jan. 23-78

Send 3.10 P O order

12) 3.50 (29) 24 / 10 / 108 / 4 2

6) 1.75 (29 / 12 / 55

23 Jan 78 (2)

How would you like to take an interest in my Kites (34 & 36) and sell them for me in Europe & England? and also any other Species which might be in demand in that market. It seems to me that it would pay better than to sell them here, but there may be too much risk.

Do you think my price of $340 too high? I want all they are worth, but do not want to ask too much. The birds are very difficult to collect. I will put in the box a wing foot and bill of Agelaus, (immature) & wish to know if you think it var. tricolor.

Would you like ad $ Brewers Blackbird at 40¢ Lincolns Finch 35¢.

Write soon, Rush

G. H. Ragsdale.

Gainesville Tex Feb 11 1878
Wm Brewster, Cambridge
Dear Sir, #3.10 to hand, and I
mail today ~~6~~ 12 # 327 — 3.50
3 # 328 1.00
1 # 378 40
1 insignatus (?) 2.00
#6.90

Send P.O. order,
If this insignatus is not that variety you will not consider it yours till I write you to that effect; I am somewhat inclined to think in Harlani & if so is worth 5.00 please state at once what it is, I have not BB & R, BNA, I put in 3 of 328 at 1.00 & not 2 as per yr letter, I see from my former letter you might have understood that I had Bites's on hand, when I expected to Collect them, & have not got Calurus yet; I had Cooperi (!) only & have sent to Mr Aiken to be classed, If you notice any of the small skins are of better make up than the rest I think it will be due your advice about handling the skin by the head many thanks, I rather think it due me that you notify me of the parties who have dealt unfairly with you, & I would do the same for you, I have so far been very fortunate in this respect,

Ragsdale G. A.
Feb. 1878

Gainesville Tex, Mch 18/78

Mr Wm Brewster,
St Marys, Ga,
Dr Sir:

Yours of 28 Feby, to hand a few days since, this will acknowledge receipt of the 6.90 enclosed. It was so long since I sent Skins that I send a card to Cambridge just before I got your making enquiry, I meant #34 & #36 to be Collected. Can furnish you at 2.25 & 2.75 pr Spec. if I send you a box of skins wax & weagree as to the charges; let me know about the Hawk, & if not B.H. I have one that is & will keep for you at 5.00 I am about to get off SW Tex & would like you to make a list of what you want from there with price you can pay, & if satisfactory I may send something from there to you, as I may need money to enable me to make the trip back which is 400 miles, & I am going overland. Your letters will be forwarded, think I have a. ferruginus now, Do you want 1st class ad. ♂ aquilla Canadensis. Rest G H Ragsdale

Geo. H. Ragsdale
March 18, 1878

Gainesville, Tex. May 21st 1878 –

Wm Brewster, Cambrige
Mass;

Dr Sir:

Yours of Apr 11th with 2.50 duly recd, making 4.50 to your credit on B.H. As I promised you an early chance at my seasons hand – please state what you wish of the following – Barn Owl, white below 2.50 Egg (only one) of same. 2.00, or both parents & egg for 6.00, — S. W. Texas Species – S. I. cat, No 68 @ 1.25 # 79 @ 1.00 # 92 1.00 – # 131 @ 75 – # 136 @ 60¢ # 166 @ 1.50 # 209 @ 60¢ # 247 – @ 3.00 (adult ♂) Bilanders wren – ~~50¢~~ Bewicks wren (var.?) ~~75¢~~ # 286 @ 75¢ # 355 1.00 # 370 60¢ # 382 60¢ # 404 @ 65 # 416 @ 75 –

What I get here I will send you list later, with lower prices,

Our party turned back from San Antonio and I could not travel alone on the Border – consequently did not do much; was too early for many species I think,

Write me at once, as I have only one spec of some I name – 7 eggs of 457 – at 75¢ each, all of one set,

Yrs H H Kaysdale

Can't take 3.00 for the Eagle

Ragsdale G. A
May 1878

Gainesville Tex June 8/78

Wm Brewster,
Cambridge, Mass,

Dr Sir;

Your order to hand. I have only one spec of Berlander & Bewicks Wren to Spare & my P. Bachmani, I think is P. Cassini, & as I have but the one I wish to keep it till I compare with Arizona Bachmani: may then let you have if we can agree on a price, also a P. ruficeps—

Vireo Atricapillus	3.00
T. Berlanderi	50
T. Bewicki	75
G. Caerulea	60
Bal on BH	4.85
	50
	53.5

Please send P.O. order. I have the warblers you name Is the Skin mkd S. pallida of that Species? It is the only one I got & if convenient some time you may return it, I will send list soon, do you want Barn Owl 2.50 White below, one egg of same 1.50.

Truly Dr H Ragsdale

Ragsdale G. H.
Jun 8-1878

Gainesville Tex July 4/78

Wm Brewster,
Cambridge, Mass,

Dear Sir;

your letter & 5.25 to hand. The B H is ♀ & good skin! so I will mail just as soon as I can — I enclose you list of stock on hand with prices. I send P O order 5.00 The A. ferruginus does not suit your description. Was T Bewick — vor. & incognitor? Very truly
G H Ragsdale

Ragsdale G. H.
July 4-1878

THE NOS. CORRESPOND WITH THOSE IN THE SMITHSONIAN CATALOGUE.

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E. L. HUDNUT, ORANGE, N.J.

Gainesville. Tex Aug 3d 1878

Mr Wm Brewster —

Cambridge, Mass —

Dear Sir; I will make the exchange spoken of in your last; if you will send upon receipt of this by mail to Greene Smith, Peterboro, Madison County. New York — the following skins, ad 6 1st class and in good plumage — Helminthophaga pina, Periserens Canadensis — Empidonax flaviventris, Ammodromus Maritimus — and Sterna Paradisea. —

I would pack & send on but am expecting a letter from you in regard to ♀ Nyctherodius violaceus.

Very Resp

G H Ragsdale —

Ragsdale G. H.,
Aug. 3 – 1878

Gainesville Tex Aug 5 /78

Wm Brewster,

Cambridge, Mass. Dr Sir –

Yours of 27 ult to hand and I mail today – N. Violaceous 1.25 = Lophophanes atricristatus 75 = C. bicolor. 25 = 2.25 – Send Currency & stamps if convenient – I send in Exch – 92 – 131 – 348 (2) – 355 – 382 – 414 a – Send pr mail to Greene Smith Peterboro Madison Co N.Y. – ad ♂ 1st class Helminthophaga Pina – Empidonax flaviventris, Perisereous Canadensis. A – Maratinus and Sterna Paradisea – and you may send me pr mail. Canadensis Perisereous – Emp flaviventris – also return 139 after stating whether it type or var.

I have Mel. formicivorus 95 a 75¢ – T. ustulatus 152 – a 50 – Sialia mexicana 159 a 50

D. tigrina 206 a 60¢ – D. discolor 210 (no sex mark) 75¢ – Hesperiphona vespertina 303

[illegible] 75 each – Ampelis garrulus 232 a 50 – Vireo phil. 244 – 50¢ – Harpor. longirostris 260 – 75

Chry. laurencii 316 – 50¢ – Passerculus abandinus 335 – 50¢ – Junco oregonus 352 – 50 – Guiraca melanocephala 381 – 50

Pipilo oregonus 392 a 50¢ – Cyanura stellen 435 a 75 – I want Cot. penstowi 339 – Sp. pallida 360

Poo. belli 356 – Pucaea aestivalis 370 – P. cassini 371 – P. inficeps 372 –

Resp

G H Ragsdale

Ragsdale. G. H.
Aug 5 — 1878

Gainesville Texas Sept 2/78

Wm Brewster -

Cambridge - Mass -

Dear Sir -

E. flaviventress and

C. Virens to hand; also your

latter or epistles.

I mail today 1 I. mississippiensis 2.00

2 H. Vesperaria @ 1.50

4.00.

Send P.O. Order.

I disremember if I offered you I.

Mississippiensis at a discount, if so

you will remember what it is. I can

send ad. @ 2.00 young 2.00 or both for

$4.00 I have some very fine Swallow-tail

Kites at 2.50 Very truly

C. H. Rogodale

Ragsdale v. H.
Sept 2 - 1878

Gainesville Texas Sept 17 1878

Mr Brewster,

Cambridge, Mass,

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 10 inst enclosing P.O. order for $3.75 to hand, I send today 2 fine Kites @ 2.00 each $4.00. Send P.O. order. My & Nanclerens I consider prime, & cant take $2.00 for them, you may send P. Bachmann if you will take some small bird in Exchange. Do Houston Sparrow have a Indian Corn stripe? I have none of the quail but think of going after them.

Very Truly

G. H. Ragsdale

Ragodale G. H.
Sept. 17. 1878

Gainesville Fla. Nov 11 1878

Mr. Brewster —

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir: the Spizella Pallida and Curlew were taken about the last of Sept — I got only three and have sold each of the others for 1.00 each, I thought if you wanted it at 1.00 I would give you a credit of 50¢ on the Pewee — I have one fine spring ♂ Nuthatch 123 — & only 2 spec of Sprague's Lark, one in Spring the other in fall plumage — but both show signs of moulting — you can have the Nuthatch & 50¢ & the Larks at the same price 50¢ pr spec if you wish — I have sets as follows — 123 a 50¢ — 87 a 10¢ — 170 a 10¢ — 244 a 10¢ Mimus polyglottus — 253 a 5¢ — Parus atricapillus — 290 (8 a 5¢) 12½¢ — Polioptila caerulea — 282 a 15¢ — Vireo bellii — 5 eggs in set 2 not perfect — nest 15 — Cyanospiza cyanea — 315 a 25¢ nest a 25¢ — Icterus spurius — 414 a 15¢ nest a 15¢ — Euphonia cupreodorsalis — 416 a 20¢ — Chon. grammacus — 344 a 5¢ — Cardinalis — 390 — 10¢ — Icterus bullockii — 416 a 20¢ — Vireo olivaceus — 421 a 8¢ — Contopus virens — 126 a 8¢ — Vireo olivaceus — 170 a 10¢ — Icterus virens — 244 a 10¢ — Mimus polyglottus — 253 a 5¢ — Parus atricapillus — 290 (8 a 5¢) 12½¢ — 282 a 15¢ — Euphonia — 376 — Myiarchus crinitus — 384 a 25¢ nest a 25¢ — Icterus spurius — 414 a 15¢ nest a 15¢ — Euphonia cupreodorsalis — 416 a 20¢ — Icterus bullockii — 390 — 10¢ — Icterus virens — 400 a 5

Geo. H. Ragsdale

Nov. 11, 1878

Gainesville Tex Nov 24/78

Wm Brewster Cambridge —

Dear Sir! pursuant to yours of 20 inst.

I send today 1 ℓ Elanoides forficatus 2.50

Send P. O. Bdel. { L. N. Sprague 10 1.00

Can send { 1 ℓ M forficatus 50

V. Bellii 50 ct { by Pendar 4.00

50

3.50

O. Tyrannus 3.00 Colaptes mex 60

C. Hybridus 1.00 — Corvus Cyan 3.00

B. Swainsoni (dark) 2.50, B. quercus 40 ct or

4.00 dozen — A. Sprague (Then since I

write you & find) 1.00 — Spiz. pallida

fall 75 ct Black, the Blue Wb 75 ct

Black-breast Wb, 50 ct. Black &

yellow Wb 40 ct — 40 ct Have Shown

of 4 Specimens of Vireos

you need any — Red Eagle (?) 5.00

Very Respy —

[illegible]

G. H. Ragsdale
Nov. 20/1878

Gainesville Dec [illegible] 3/71

[illegible] Brewster, Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir, the Lasts & [illegible] Shoes [illegible]
you sent the label [illegible] [illegible] of the
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Geo. H. Ragsdale

Dec. 13, 1878

Gainesville Tex Dec 5th

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Geo. H. Ragsdale
Dec. 18, 1878

Gainesville Tex Dec 28th 1878

Mr Brewster,

Cambridge — Dear Sir:

Your letter & S. pusilla read. I will send B. Irvingsoni for cash immediately, in a few days — also, Vince Bell; I will also accept your proposition to class some birds & will send about 9 skins & an egg. I wish to know whether the skins are typical or varieties, I am surprised that the proportional smallness in Cupido Carpidonius is not correspondent with Orbp — V —, 2 specs just measured are as large as any given in Vol IX S.P.R.R. Rep, while I never get quail up to typical Virginianus — Mr Ridgway thinks — pallidicinctus will prove a valid species — but says he has not a single spec of true Cupido from Texas — in Smithsonian —

Can see I you skin for $1.25 —

Please return skins & egg & state if you want any duplicates —

Very Respectfully

E. A. Rigsdale

Geo. H. Ragsdale
Dec. 28, 1878

Gainesville Cooke Co. Tex Jan 14/79

Mr Wm Brewster.

Cambridge, Mass — Dr Sir, — yours of 7" inst enclosing 2.00 to hand — & I send today 1 pr S. arctica — 80c — send 3 & 1c stamps if you prefer — I see your article on distribution of P. ruficeps, had you not noticed in Oct no. my taking it in Tex? Have you young Falco polyagrus? I have young Miss Kite with head nearly white & otherwise different from any I have taken Price 2.00 — Would you like a pr. of Lecont Sparrows very fine skins at 1.50 per pair? — I would like you to take Dr Merrill's list & note the number of species & specimens you desire with price you will pay for each — If I can get up enough subscription I will make a trip there in the Spring — The quail I get here are not all exactly typical vent. Texanus — Can send 3 40c.

Very Resp. G H Ragsdale

Have no Caracaras.

Geo. H. Ragsdale
Jany 4 1879

Gainesville Fla Jan 15 1879

Wm Brewster Cambridge Mass

Dear Sir: Your letter & postal of 8th to hand & I send today J. A. Coppin 100 to Crepido. Var. pallidicornis 25 You can have the Classification at 50 cts, P.O. order. Bonus, [illegible] I will send. Don't you need typical crepido taken here now? price $1.25 per skin. Have you full [illegible] of Dicerca Bullocki? price 30c — Many thanks ~~after~~ for classifying for me, hereafter only pay postage [illegible], & I would not allow that if I were not so poor & bound (!) I put in 3 more species with this lot to class.

Very Hastily yours

C. H. Roseldale

[illegible]

Geo. H. Ragsdale

Jan. 15, 1879

Gainesville Tex Feby 3d 1879

Wm Brewster: Cambridge - Mass -

Dear Sir: yrs of 22d ult enclosing 3.05 to hand. I took S. arctica here in 75 & 76 (winter) & reported to F & S. I have 3 Specs of Melospiza Lincolni on hand price 25¢ and have been looking for M. palustris, will I likely find the latter? both the skins I sent you were taken in Winter - I send the Ictinia & enclose label. F. polyagrus taken dec. 78 - price 1.25 Cerpido, var. pal. should be '79, as this form & true Cerpido are taken from Tex to Nebraska. I thought if you had both skins from Tex, you might prove palledecinctus a valid Species. Do you want Tree Sparrow at 25¢. Do you want Yellow-billed Magpie - @ 1.50?

I wrote Mr Purdie declining to accept the offer of corresponding number, thinking that I had a chance to get into a more paying business, but so far have not succeeded. Seems to me your Club might take all I could get in a Season at Stated price - Send on the list of Southern species with price -

Most Resp
C H Ragsdale

Do you want a pr of Sprayers Lasker at 66½ [illegible]? I got a fine black Bitch Harlan's today with black [illegible] white on the tail [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the light [illegible] [illegible] I send you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]? Notice notes in Vedette around the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 3 stamps & I will send you large colored County Map of Texas —

G. H. Bagdal
Feby 3 1879

Gainesville Cooke Co Tex - Aug 30/79

Wm Brewster - 61 Sparks St, Cambridge Mass

Dr Sir;

C.G.B. came to time lively & I so wrote - one N. violaceus is spotted, the other streaked, Can you help me sell some of the following -

Chuckwills widow ♀	1,50
Clay colored Sparrow	35
Cassins finch	1,00
Bachmans "	.75
var. arizonae	1,50
Arctic Towhee	.25
" Bluebird	,60
Great Blue Heron	1.50
" Wh Egret	2.00
Miss Kite 3 stages	1.50 each
Swallowtail Kite	2,25
(?) Bronzed Ibis - young	2.00
Little Blue Heron	1,50
Green Heron	1.00 -

If you think my prices too high please tell me -

I hope to get white Pelican soon; have you a supply?

Very truly yours
G H Ragsdale

Many thanks for your kind offer to mention my prices to your friends

Geo. H. Rogsdale.
Aug. 30, 1879.

Gainesville Tex. Oct 8/79

Wm Brewster, Cambridge - Mass -

Dr Sir!

I have been out West hence delay. I send a poor lot of birds which you can have at just what they are worth to you - or return as you wish -

$ 2	Pucaea illinoisensis [illegible]	3.00
2	Pipilo [illegible] [illegible]	.50
1	Cassius finch	1.00
		4.50

Olive back Thrush [illegible] to examine & return. Do you want Bull high long bill Curlew or Avocet?

Resp

[illegible]

[illegible] got my Oct Bulletin yet, has it been out [illegible]?

Geo. H. Ragsdale,
Oct. 8, 1879

Gainesville Tex, 12/14/83

Mr Brewster Esq,
Cambridge Mass —

Dear Sir.

I cant send the Buteo by mail as it is mounted, It must be albicaudatus, as it has subterminal dark bar, & is light phase — but I did not expect it so far north,

I will send you some small birds by mail to examine soon —

I am now in the field again and would like your list of desiderata from the Atl.

Below I append prices to a few specimens I have intended for my Cabinet —

Resp. J. H. Ragsdale

Prices to Wilbrewster

Bitten unknown; [illegible]	10.00
Bi harlani, (Blk) each	6.00
Eggs of Blue quail, (1 set-9)	.75

I have some fresh skins of

Scarlet Sparrow (a)	.50
Harris "	.40
White the shore lark	.45
Lapland Longspur	.35
Smiths "	.45
McCowns "	.35
Chest Cold "	.45

Geo. H. Ragsdale

Dec. 14, 1883

Gainesville Tex. 2/3 [illegible]

Wm Brewster

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir.

The Sharon Skins [illegible]

all O.K.

I have been housed with Rheumatism this winter & in looking over my bird notes made during 76, 7, 8 & 9 I find much interest, could any money be made out of those notes & would you Edit & publish it for an interest? I find notes of arrival & departure, Bulk arrive and Bulk depart, and my Jots are most abundant on the rarest Species or those I could get most cash for skins consequently most interesting to Science. I have a list of Cook Co. birds about 230 species & varieties, and I have notes made on a trip to San Antonio 300 miles S.W. and another trip of 250 miles N.W. to head of Brazos & Colorado Rivers both these trips were after Blue and Massena quail, but I had an

eye to the limit of range of E & W species. I have noted but few Water birds for Cook Co as their Skins were not valuable & this is a dry Country, and I was after dimes not large list.

Please let me know what you think of this Scheme

Very truly

J. H. Ragsdale

Do you want to send me the next four issues of The Auk for my only Copy of Seiurus, notabilis? I have lost the label, but remember that it was a Sept bird.

J. W. Cook writes that he finds Junco Hiemalis at Caddo I. T., nearly east of Tainesville. Guess I would find it too if I had been out.

Geo. H. Ragsdale
Feb. 22, 1884

Duplicate Bird Skins

Ridgway

THE NOS. CORRESPOND WITH THOSE IN THE ~~SMITHSONIAN~~ CATALOGUE.

1	54	107	160	213	266	319
2	55	108	✓161	214	267	✓320
3	56	109	✓162	215	268	321
✓4a	57	110	163	216	269	322
✓5a sb	58	111	✓164	✓217	✓270	323
6	59	112	165	218	271	✓324
7	✓60	113	✓166	219	272	✓325 a
8	✓61 b	✓114	167	220	273	✓326
9	62	115	✓168	221	274	327
10	✓63	116	169	222	275	328
11	64	117	170	223	276	329
✓12	65	118	171	224	277	330
13	66	✓119	172	225	✓278 b	331
14	67	120	173	226	279	332
15	68	121	174	227	280	333
16	69	✓122	175	228	281	334
17	70	✓123	176	229	282	335
18	71	124	177	230	283	336
19	72	125	178	✓231	284	337
20	✓73	126	179	232	285	338
21	74	127	180	233	286	339
22	75	✓128	181	234	287	340
✓23	76	129	182	235	288	341
24	77	130	183	236	✓289	342
25	78	131	184	✓237	290	343
26	79	132	185	238	291	344
✓27	80	133	186	239	292	345
28	81	134	✓187	240	293	346
29	82	✓135	✓188	241	294	347
✓30	83	136	189	✓242	295	348
31	84	137	✓190	243	296	349
32	✓85	138	191	244	297	350
✓33	✓86	139	192	245	298	351
34	87	140	193 a b	✓246	299	352
35	88	141	194	247	* 300 a	353
✓36	89	142	195	248	✓301	354
37	90	✓143	196	249	302	355
38	91	144	✓197 a	250	303	356
39	92	✓145	✓198 a	✓251	304	357
40	✓93	146	199	252	305	358
41	✓94	147	✓200	253	306	359
✓42	✓95	148	201	254	307	360
43	96	✓149 a	202	255	308	361
44	✓97	150	203	256	309	362
45	✓98	✓151	✓204 a	257	310	363
46	99	✓152	✓205	258	311	364
47	100	✓153	✓206	✓259	✓312	365
48	101	✓154	207	✓260	313	366
49	102	155	208	✓261	314	367
50	103	156	✓209	262	✓315	368
51	104	157	✓210 a	✓263	316	✓369
52	105	158	211	✓264	317	370
53	106	159	✓212	265	✓318	371

T. auduboni

T. ferrugineus

T. ferrugineus

Pipo erythrophthalmus

Pipo erythrophthalmus

Junco hyemalis

Junco cinereus

Melospiza melodia

* O. pratincola

372	425	478	531	584	637	690
373	426	479	532	585	638	691
374	427	480	533	586	639	692
375	428	481	534	587	640	693
376	429	482	535	588	641	694
377	430	483	536	589	642	695
378	431	484	537	590	643	696
379	432	485	538	591	644	697
380	433	486	539	592	645	698
381	434	487	540	593	646	699
382	435	488	541	594	647	700
383	436	489	542	595	648	701
384	437	490	543	596	649	701
385	438	491	544	597	650	702
386	439	492	545	598	651	703
387	440	493	546	599	652	704
388	441	494	547	600	653	705
389	442	495	548	601	654	706
390	443	496	549	602	655	707
391	444	497	550	603	656	708
392	445	498	551	604	657	709
393	446	499	552	605	658	710
394	447	500	553	606	659	711
395	448	501	554	607	660	712
396	449	502	555	608	661	713
397	450	503	556	609	662	714
398	451	504	557	610	663	715
399	452	505	558	611	664	716
400	453	506	559	612	665	717
401	454	507	560	613	666	718
402	455	508	561	614	667	719
403	456	509	562	615	668	720
404	457	510	563	616	669	721
405	458	511	564	617	670	722
406	459	512	565	618	671	723
407	460	513	566	619	672	724
408	461	514	567	620	673	725
409	462	515	568	621	674	726
410	463	516	569	622	675	727
411	464	517	570	623	676	728
412	465	518	571	624	677	729
413	466	519	572	625	678	730
414	467	520	573	626	679	731
415	468	521	574	627	680	732
416	469	522	575	628	681	733
417	470	523	576	629	682	734
418	471	524	577	630	683	735
419	472	525	578	631	684	736
420	473	526	579	632	685	737
421	474	527	580	633	686	738
422	475	528	581	634	687	739
423	476	529	582	635	688	740
424	477	530	583	636	689	741

E.L.Hudnut, Orange, N.J.

Gainesville Tex
7/4/85

Mr Wm Brewster
Cambridge
Mass

Dear Sir: I send my list of Dupl. in Ex for Dr [illegible] & H Bickmill — If one spec will not be enough for each State [illegible], I have 1 Rocky Mtn Hermit taken here to Spare —

Do you consider Chondrites [illegible]? Was the McCalls [illegible] I sent you correctly [illegible]? Would you press upon [illegible] I might send & return them?

Very truly
[illegible]

Can you advise me where to have some cretaceous fossils determined, cheaply? Gryphaea, [illegible], Staatish &c.

Geo. H. Raysdale

July 4 - 1885

Gainesville Tex
Sep 3/85

Mr Wm Brewster
Cambridge Mass

Dear Sir

Birds recd O.K.
How came the Thrush data before it was discovered? You forgot to state whether the Cooke Co Owl was typical or McCall's those intermediates give me plenty of work—

I have not seen any Record of the following birds being taken in Tex. I have taken them in Cook Co & you can have note made in Auk if you wish.

Hylocichla ustulata oedubonii
Geothlypis trichas occidentalis
Seurus navus notabilis.
Geothlypis McGillivrayi

Geo. H. Ragsdale
Sept. 2. 1885

~~Poaceates g. Confines~~

Chordistes g. Strigata

Spizella monticola ochracea

Spizella d. arizonae

~~Spizella pallida~~

~~Spizella breweri~~

Porzana Jamaicensis

I think cones &

Ridgway did give ~~both~~

~~Pegrammineus &~~ confines

on the Lower Rio Grande

Truly

G H Ruggles

Gainesville Tex
2/11/86

Mr Wm Brewster

Cambridge
Mass—

Are you aware that there is a neutral space between the breeding range of the Shrikes on the Coast and those of the northern part of this State?

I have no personal knowledge of any Shrike breeding on the Gulf or in the north part of the State. The Shrike is not seen here from Apr until Aug— & I suppose they go North.

Does this neutral space occur East of the Miss?

Mr R.R. has just mkd one of my Nov. Skins "ludvicianus approaching excubitorides." If

Ludovicianus occurs here in Nov. it ought to occur in Summer

Resp (Sgd) H Ragsdale

Is the O & O still published by Webster?

G. H. Ragsdale
Feb. 11 1886

Thanks for Duke of Argyles theory &c

Gainesville Tex.
July 23 '87

Mr Wm Brewster
Cambridge
Mass.

Dear Sir;

I think I sent you several hermit thrushes, I would like to know if any of them are winter specimens and intermediate between pallasi and auduboni. Mr Ridgway has marked one of my spec, as auduboni, but in making further examination of additional specimens he reports them intermediate. I only noted the pale race a few years since and am inclined to think they did not occur at the time your specimens were taken. You will perhaps remember passing upon several hermits for me and not one of them approaches auduboni, hence I would like to know if yours do. There is more difference in coloration between my hermits than in alicae and alicae bicknelli, and I think they will prove constant. At what longitude does this grey stage begin to show and at what longitude does it become typical auduboni? Rob't Ridgway

G. W. Ragsdale

Feb. 23. 1887

In re J. Audubon.

1	Buffle head	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	fine skin
1	[illegible] White Pelican	exceptionally fine & clean
	[illegible]	New England
2	Black [illegible]	2 stages [illegible]
		2 fine skins
1	[illegible] Eared Grebe	fine skin; seldom seen
1	[illegible] Grebe	" "
1	[illegible]	fine skin; rare, not typical
1	Florida Galinule	[illegible] in cook
1	Thick billed Grebe downy stage	[illegible] cook
1	White billed [illegible]	[illegible]

Mr William Brewster
Cambridge Mass,

Dear Sir;

I will entertain a bid on this collection, also some 700 [illegible] [illegible] exclusively in [illegible].

Very Respectfully
[illegible]

[illegible]

G. H. Ragsdale

June, 26. 1889

	Name of Specimen	[illegible]
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	"
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	typical & intermediate
	[illegible]	approaches azteca
1	[illegible] Wren	"fairly typical"
	[illegible] Marsh Wren	
1	[illegible] Titlark	
2	[illegible]	
	Black & [illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	only seen to date
1	Golden Crowned Thrush	only "
	Large billed Water Thrush	
6	[illegible] Warbler	
1	Mourning "	Considered rare
	McGillivray	
3	Western Maryland Yellowthroat	
3	Yellowbreast Chat	
	Canadian Warbler	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
2	[illegible] Tanager	[illegible]
	[illegible]	

4	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	Not of [illegible]
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
5	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
3	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible] typical [illegible] taken
8	[illegible]	typical & intermediate
1	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible] typical [illegible] taken
8	[illegible]	
1	Dark [illegible]	probably not typical
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible] taken
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]	
	Oregon [illegible]	Rare & irregular
	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	
2	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	All.
2	[illegible]	
4	Fox colored	
3	Towhee	
3	Northern Towhee	
8	Cardinals	
3	Rose [illegible]	
1	Blue [illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	

3 Meadow Lark
Western do
Horned Lark
Bluebird
Robin
Cedar Bird
Orchard
Baltimore
Scissor tail Flycatcher
Kingbird
Phoebe
Wood Pewee
Olive Sided
Wood Pewee
Yellow Bellied
Acadian
Shrikes
Vireos
Ruby Throated
Chickadees Titmice
Whippoorwill
Nighthawk
Southern Nighthawk
Swifts
Yellow Bellied
Flicker
Red Headed
Red Bellied
Downy
Hairy
Yellow Shafted
Kingfisher
Belted
Yellow Billed Cuckoo
Black Billed
Great Horned
Barred
Screech
Owls

1	Swallow tailed Kite	
7	Miss Kite	
1	[illegible] Hawk	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] fused in [illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	
4	Red tail	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	dark phase [illegible] fine skin
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] florida [illegible]
1	[illegible]	[illegible]
2	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	tarsus injured by bullets
1	[illegible]	[illegible] Skins, Canada
2	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	
1	[illegible] Sharp tail Grouse	[illegible]
2	[illegible]	[illegible]
3	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible] quail	
1	[illegible] Heron	
1	[illegible]	
4	White crowned [illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	
1	[illegible] Glossy [illegible]	[illegible]
1	[illegible]	
1	Kildeer	
2	[illegible] sandpiper	[illegible]
	Hill "	
1	[illegible] "	
2	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	
3	[illegible]	
1	[illegible] sandpiper	[illegible]
2	Spotted "	
1	[illegible]	Skin of [illegible]
1	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	[illegible]
3	[illegible]	
1	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	fine Skin: [illegible]
1	[illegible]	" "
1	Mallard	[illegible]
1	Gadwall	fine Skin: [illegible]
	Pintail	" "
1	[illegible]	" "
3	[illegible]	" "
1	[illegible]	" "
3	[illegible]	" "

Gainesville Tex. Sep 9 1889.

Mr Wm Brewster,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I found Miss Kites incubating one egg, which I took & replaced with a hens egg which they hatched. I want 6.00 for both parents (in full feather and fine clean skins for mounting) the egg, the nest (well preserved) and the downy chicken. Do you desire them?

Very Resp

G H Ragsdale

G. H. Ragsdale

Sept 9. 1889

Gainesville. Cook Co Tex Oct 9/89

Mr Wm Brewster, Cambridge, Mass.

Do you desire White Pelican with crest on occiput and horn on bill, exceptionally fine @ 3.50

Black Tern with white spot on chin in the black Plumage, fine Skin 1.25

Accipiter Cooperi, with Scutella fused (fine) 1.00

Buteo borealis "decidedly approaching lucasanus" (fine) 1.50

White crowned Night Heron 8 inch measured occipital plume fine + clean 1.50

ditto, with black-crown no long plumes on head 1.50

ditto ♀ ad. .75

ditto immature with ochraceous spots 1.00

1 fine Swallow-tail Kite 2.00

Resp. G.H. Ragsdale

G. H. Ragsdale

Oct 9. 1889

Gainesville Fla
Oct 25/89

Mr Wm Brewster,
61 Sparks St,
Cambridge Mass,

Sir:

I have a set of 4 Turkey Buzzards eggs; bird seen leave nest. Price 5.00

Resp G H Ragsdale

G. H. Raysdale

Oct 25. 1889

Gainesville Tex Nov 19/89

Mr Wm Brewster Cambridge Mass

Dear Sir,

I send by Express the Scientific Specimens mentioned Sept 9th & Oct 9th I also send 1 Loon @ 2.00 & 1 wood duck @ 1.50 as the box will hold them. Have some fine duck skins if you need any for Mig. state want, I desire to know if the Loon is typical eastern form.

Send P.O. order for such as suit you & oblige

yours truly

F H Ragsdale

Geo. H. Ragsdale

Nov. 19 - 1889

Mr. Wm. Brewster
Cambridge Mass

1889 Mr. A. C. Lett Rigsdale

Mar 19/89	1 Pelican	3.50	
	1 Butio borealis	1.50	
	1 Accipiter atricapillus?	1.00	
	1 Nycherodias violaceus ad	1.50	
	1 " "	1.50	
	1 " " ♀	.75	
	1 " " imm.	1.00	
	1 Swallow tail Kite	2.00	
	2 Miss Kites nest 189 [illegible]	6.00	
	1 Box	.45	~~[illegible]~~
	Ex Chgs —		X
	1 Black Tern	1.25	[illegible]
	1 Loon	2.00	
	1 Wood Duck	1.50	

Gainesville Cook Co Tex
Dec 18[illegible]

Mr Wm Brewster.
6 Sparks St,
Cambridge Mass.

Dear Sir:

I recd Herons, Tern & Gulls by express last week, but no letter, please explain & oblige.

Geo. H. Rigsdale

Please send change [illegible]

G. H. RAGSDALE,
Dec 10, 1889

Gainesville Tex. 1/6/93

Mr Wm Brewster,
Cambridge Mass

My dear Sir,

You will permit me to congratulate you upon your recovery. I myself have had terrible malarial affliction, but much improved now.

You misapprehended my question as to Falco richardsoni. I do not know whether the bird sent Greene Smith was F. richardsoni or immature F. columbarius. Can you inform me?

I also desire to know if your adult mass. specimens of Accipiter cooperii show distinct scales on the tarsus?

Very truly
G. H. Ragsdale

Our maximum thermometer registered 70° yesterday
Minimum " " 32° "

G. H. Ragsdale.

Jany 6-1893.

Gainesville Tex. 1/30/94

Mr Wm Brewster

145 Brattle St.

Cambridge Mass.

Dear Sir;

Your information concerning ad. to *accipiter cooperi* is very interesting. May I ask about how many adult birds of this species are in your collection?

Is the little falcon I sent to Irene Smith really *F. richardsonii*, or young *F. columbarius*? Having never seen but one bird so marked, and this in my early collecting, that I am in doubt as to *F. richardsonii* occurring in Cooke Co Tex.

I see A.O.U. Checklist attributes the species to Tex. Do you know who took it?

Very Resp

L A Ragsdale

Ragsdale G. H.
Jan. 30, 1894.

Gainesville Tex May 22/94

Mr Wm Brewster 145 Brattle St
Cambridge Mass

Dear Sir:

I desire to ask if there is a genuine specimen from Cooke co Texas, in the Green Smith Coll of the following:—

Buteo elegans.

Falco richardsoni

Who has taken the latter in Texas?

"In your letter of Jany 24 you say in no case are the tarsal scales quite obsolete in my Mass specimens."

May I ask if the lines separating the scales are obliterated in the Texas specimen of Feby 28 1889?

Resp.

G.H. Ragsdale

I have your letter of Dec 23 stating I have your Corpus Hawk with fused tarsal envelope." I understand you to mean obsolete or obliterated lines but you do not say as much

Is not your Cooke Co Spec of a cooper with fused tarsi dated Feby 28 1879 instead of 1889

Ragsdale — G. H.

May 22. 1894.

Mr Wm Brewster

61 Sparks St.

Cambridge Mass.

Dear Sir:

Would you entertain a proposition to purchase my notes something like enclosed, for past 14 years (at intervals) and also the major part of skins & eggs upon which these notes are based?

A meteorological Record has been kept much of the time. The notes are noted in Pass-books and not all posted to the register.

Very Resp

G H Rugsdale

Local list about 260 species & subspecies
Side trips include probably 100 more

G. H. Ragsdale